

# USCUniversity of Associate Research Engineer, ISI Southern California Job Description

| JOB INFORMATION   |   |  |  |  |
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| Job Code:         | 167421  |  |  |  |
| Job Title:        | Associate Research Engineer, ISI                      |  |  |  |
| FLSA Status:      | Exempt  |  |  |  |
| Supervisory:      | May oversee staff, students and/or resource employees |  |  |  |
| Job Family:       | Computer Research                                     |  |  |  |
| Job Family Group: | Information Technology                                |  |  |  |
| Management Level: | 7 Individual Contributor                              |  |  |  |

### **JOB SUMMARY**

Supports research efforts by implementing technical solutions to novel research problems. Works closely with senior research staff to transform research ideas into implemented solutions. Contributes to larger team efforts in implementing research prototypes. Contributes to documentation and publications as needed. Independently develops parts of a larger system. Initiates the design, development and implementation of technology research projects. Investigates the feasibility of applying scientific principles and concepts to potential inventions and products. Plans and executes applied research.

### **JOB QUALIFICATIONS:**

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| Req Pref | Degree            | Field of Study |  |
|----------|-------------------|----------------|--|
| Χ        | Bachelor's degree |                |  |

## **Additional Education**

Check here if experience may substitute for some of the above education.

Combined experience/education as substitute for minimum education

## **Work Experience**

| Req | Pref | Work Experience | Experience Level |  |
|-----|------|-----------------|------------------|--|
| Χ   |      | 2 years         |                  |  |
|     | Χ    | 5 years         |                  |  |

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Combined experience/education as substitute for minimum work experience

## Knowledge, Skills and Abilities

| Req | Pref | Functional Skills  |  |
|-----|------|--|--|
| Χ   |      | Knowledge of one or more relevant programming languages (e.g., Python, C++, Goolang).        |  |
| Χ   |      | Experience with Linux.   |  |
| Χ   |      | Experience with Virtual LAN and/or Virtual Extensible LAN. Experience with Melanox Switches. |  |

# **Knowledge, Skills and Abilities**

| Req | Pref | Functional Skills  |  |  |
|-----|------|--|--|--|
| Χ   |      | Experience with SDN programming.   |  |  |
| Χ   |      | Experience with Ansible, Bash and Nagios. Experience with Prometheus.  |  |  |
| Χ   |      | Familiarity with and Simple Network Management Protocol. Experience with applicable IT protocols (e.g., Border Gateway Protocol, Secure Shell, Transport Layer Security).  |  |  |
| Χ   |      | Experience with iptables and Network File System.  |  |  |
|     | Χ    | Experience in research.  |  |  |
|     | Χ    | Experience with artificial intelligence, very large-scale integration design, machine learning, deep learning (e.g., TensorFlow, PyTorch, HuggingFace), and Dockerization. |  |  |

# **Other Job Factors**

# **JOB ACCOUNTABILITIES**

|  | % Time | Essential | Marginal | N/A |
|--|--------|-----------|----------|-----|
| Supports the technical needs of research projects by implementing solutions in one or more programming languages. Applies best practices in design, implementation, and engineering. Implements solutions to targeted research systems issues and tools to support project goals.  |        |           |          |     |
| Works with senior researchers to translate domain-specific needs into implemented solutions. Applies domain-specific knowledge, gained from independent research, to implement project solutions. Learns new technology required to support project goals via tutorials, reading research publications and/or attending appropriate conferences. |        |           |          |     |
| Works as a member of a team, communicating closely with supervisor(s) about technical progress and challenges. Summarizes progress for project reports. Participates in meetings with external collaborators and/or cross-group meetings about program-level direction. Provides relevant presentation material about work.                      |        |           |          |     |
| Gathers information and data to test and achieve effective method usage of an application. Maintains currency of knowledge with respect to relevant technology, equipment, and/or systems.   |        |           |          |     |
| Promotes an environment that fosters inclusive relationships and creates unbiased opportunities for contributions through ideas, words, and actions that uphold principles of the USC Code of Ethics.  |        |           |          |     |

## **Other Requirements**

| Essential: | Emergency Response/Recovery  | Essential: | Mandated Reporter   |   |
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|            | In the event of an emergency, the employee holding this position is required to "report to duty" in accordance with the university's Emergency Operations Plan and/or the employee's department's emergency response and/or recovery plans. Familiarity with those plans and regular training to implement those plans is required. During or immediately following an emergency, the employee will be notified to assist in the emergency response efforts, and mobilize other staff members if needed. |            | A mandated reporter who in his or her propagatity has knowledge of, or reasonably a person who is under the age of 18 years or a dependent adult has been the victim or neglect must report the suspected incomplete must contact a designated a simmediately or as soon as practically postelephone or in writing within 36 hours. For the associated job duties, this position as a mandated reporter as required by stand USC's policy at:  https://policy.usc.edu/mandated-reporter | suspect: s, elderly of abuse ident. agency sible by By virtue of qualifie ate law |
| Campus Sed | curity Authority (CSA)   |            | Esse  | ntial:  |

# **ACKNOWLEDGMENTS**

The above statements reflect the essential and non-essential functions as necessary to describe the principle contents of the job. They are not intended to be a complete statement of all work requirements or duties that may be required of the position. I understand that I may be asked to perform other duties as assigned. USC reserves the right to add or change duties

at any time.

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I acknowledge receipt of this job description and its associated physical requirements. I have read and understand the job description and job requirements and agree to abide by their contents. I realize that duties may be requested of me that are not specifically stated herein. I understand that I will be expected to adjust to potential fluctuations in work volume. I understand that, if I have any questions about the essential functions or expectations of my position, my supervisor and/or HR partner are available to discuss them with me.

| Print Employee Name | Signature | Date     |
|---------------------|-----------|----------|
| Print Manager Name  | Signature | <br>Date |

This job description describes the general nature and level of work required by the position. It is not intended to be an all-inclusive list of qualifications, skills,

duties, responsibilities or working conditions of the job. The job description is subject to change with or without notice, and Management reserves the right to add, modify or remove any qualification or duty. Nothing in this job description changes the existing at-will employment relationship between the university and the employee occupying the position.